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TO: Mr. H. L. Finch, St. Louis Park
FROM: T. E. Reilly
SUBJECT: EQUIPMENT - ST. LOUIS PARK - EXPLOSION REPAIR TO TANK #20 -
WORK ORDER 255A

cc: Paul White, St. Louis Park
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Work Order 263A has been established to cover the clean up and ultimate repair of damaged tank 20 occasioned by an explosion on Oct. 3, 1966 at 1445 P.E.

It is surmised that the explosion was caused by water that got into the hot pitch that was caused by purging the line with steam just before adding roofing pitch.

The result of the explosion was the tearing of part of the roof from the silos and also the bending of piping. There was no loss of product.

Kindly make all charges for the clean-up and repair of this tank
to General Ledger account 173-2614.

Very truly yours,

J E. Reilly

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